

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Serial No.: New Application

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For: NON-Cu-BASED CAST Al ALLOY AND METHOD  
FOR HEAT TREATMENT THEREOFPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,  
please enter the following specification changes as noted below:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4, 5 and 9 as follows:

A 4. (Amended) The non-Cu-based cast Al alloy according to  
claim 1, wherein said non-Cu-based cast Al alloy is a  
precipitation hardened alloy.